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**For:** METHODS OF IDENTIFYING SPIKE MORPHOLOGY AND FUSARIUM HEAD BLIGHT RESISTANCE, AND THE USE OF THESE METHODS FOR IMPROVING BARLEY AND RELATED TRITICEAE PLANTS (AS AMENDED)

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In the Title, please change "METHODS OF DISTINGUISHING EAR SHAPE AND RESISTANCE AGAINST GIBBERELLA ZEAE AND METHOD OF IMPROVING BARLEY PLANT USING THE SAME" to -- METHODS OF IDENTIFYING SPIKE MORPHOLOGY

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AND FUSARIUM HEAD BLIGHT RESISTANCE, AND THE USE OF THESE METHODS  
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Title

Methods of identifying spike morphology and fusarium head blight resistance, and the use of these methods from improving barley and triticeae plants  
~~Methods of distinguishing ear shape and resistance against gibberella zeae and method of improving barley plant using the same~~

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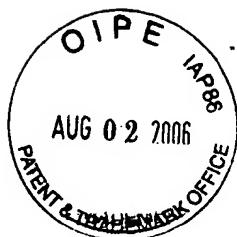
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